

## SEA RATES TO DROP, SAYS CUNARD HEAD

Sir Alfred Booth Arrives Here on the Aquitania, Which Carries Some Notables.

Ocean freight rates are due to take a drop and will continue to go down for two or three years, in the opinion of Sir Alfred Booth, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Cunard Line, who arrived here yesterday. He said the reason was that cargo offerings were falling off. The shipbuilding programme will, of course, be affected.

Sir Alfred doubted whether the forty-eight hour week for sailors on board ships at sea ever could be put in force. He said that wages probably would remain high for a long time after freight rates went down.

Sir Alfred would not say much about the Harriman contract with the Hamburg-American Line, but remarked: "It may be Mr. Harriman to-day, but it will be Mr. Brown to-morrow."

He added that he would read the contract with the German firm with great interest. The seas are broad enough for both American and British flags, he declared. Sir Alfred was accompanied by his twelve year old daughter Sylvia, and by Delos W. Cooke, resident director of the line here, and Mrs. Cooke.

Although the vessel brought in 245 boxes of gold, worth \$2,500,000, the thing

of great value which aroused most excitement was a diamond of 182.15 carats, brought from Spain by Frederick Whittram, Madrid manager of the Mercantile Bank of America, and Mrs. Whittram. The diamond, of a light yellow tinge, is said to be one of the largest, if not the largest, ever brought to this country.

Abdel Hafid, former Sultan of Morocco, who abdicated in favor of his brother and went to live at Madrid, entrusted the Whittrams with the gem that they might sell it for him there. The diamond was worn as the chief ornament of the ex-Sultan's turban.

Appraisers on the pier were unable to value the diamond, so it was retained for examination and study at the Appraisers' Store, Mrs. Whittram, who carried it, parted with the gem without regret, for she had been resting with it under her pillow during the voyage and said she would appreciate a good night's sleep. Mr. Whittram explained that he had tried in vain to have it valued abroad.

Others on board the ship were Mrs. Emmet Destina, soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company; Lieut. John J. Ide, U. S. N., who inspected naval aviation matters abroad; Clarence B. Coombs, test pilot of the Ordnance Engineering Company and pilot of the Curtiss Cactus Kitty, which was not ready in time to enter the Gordon Bennett airplane race; Felix M. Warburg, son-in-law of Jacob Schiff, who was aboard on relief matters; Sir Francis and Lady Aglan, bound for Shanghai; Rear Admiral T. Kondo, of the Imperial Japanese Navy; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sothorn, Alexander Smith Cochrane and his bride, Mrs. Ganna Walska, Polish opera singer, and Gen. Sir W. Otter.

The vessel carried 2,454 passengers. Owing to the congestion at the time when for breaking of the armistice must be given.

Commissioner, had a force of inspectors

## Falls Under Subway Car, Survives to Ride in It

AN unidentified man fell on the tracks at the Chambers street subway station yesterday and the two forward cars of a south bound train passed over him. The train was brought to a sudden stop. The man emerged unhurt from under the truck of the third car, boarded the train and went on his way, apparently undisturbed.

Look over and pass most of the 1,400 storage passengers. Doubtful cases only were sent to the immigration station.

## POLES YET FAR FROM ARMISTICE WITH REDS

Conference Resumed, but Many Points Unsettled.

By the Associated Press.  
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## BIG BATTLE DESPITE MISSION TO POLES

Polish Troops Said To Be Delaying Armistice and Defying League.

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The French and English officers, the French Consul, M. Counfau, and Dr. Schaulps have gone to the front. The Commission of the League of Nations has not arrived at Vilna.

"Such," concludes the communique, "are the results of the Suwalki conference."

## Lithuania Complains of Delay.

Complaint is made by Lithuanian authorities that the Poles have prevented the signing of an immediate armistice covering all territory in dispute between the two countries and that Poland is delaying an agreement as to the demarcation line until Polish troops occupy all the territory they want.

The control commission of the League of Nations, which is endeavoring to settle the differences between Lithuania and Poland, went from Suwalki to Orany to-day to investigate conditions.

Previous to leaving Suwalki it fixed a provisional boundary line and issued orders couched in emphatic terms that both the Poles and Lithuanians must retire at least three and a half miles from this frontier. The Lithuanians in the Poles have refused to obey.

Col. Chardigny of the French army is chairman of the commission and his presence is rather distasteful to the Lithuanians, who regard the French as

friendly to the Poles. The other members of the commission are Col. Vergera of Italy, Col. Yawald, Japanese military attaché at Warsaw; Major Keenan of the British Balkan mission; Major Herce, Spanish military attaché at Bern, and Capt. Lassitch of the Serbian army, who also acts as secretary.

## Poles Still Advancing.

WARSAW, Oct. 8.—To-night's statement from the Polish War Office on military operations announces a further advance by the Polish forces in the north. It makes no mention of an armistice with the Bolsheviks.

The statement reports the capture by the Poles of Oshmyany and the railway station of Soly, cutting communication between Vilna and Molodechno, northwest of Minsk.

With reference to the Lithuanian front the communique says the Lithuanians, despite the armistice, have resumed the hostilities and have been attacking Polish positions along the River Merechanka.

LONDON, Oct. 9.—Bolshevik reports at Vilna indicate a new offensive against the Poles by the Bolsheviks, says the Daily Mail's correspondent in that city. The Soviet military officials claim to

have retaken Minsk and to be advancing on the Galician front.

George Tohtcherin, Bolshevik Minister of Foreign Affairs, has telegraphed the Russian peace delegation that Soviet armies in South Russia are taking the initiative against Gen. Baron Wrangel, the correspondent says.

## WRANGEL EXTENDS ANTI-BOLSHEVİK AREA

Reds Dispersed Below Ekaterinoslav; 27,000 Taken.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—Advice to-day to the State Department said Gen. Wrangel's anti-Bolshevik forces had dispersed the Red army north and east up to a line running from Ekaterinoslav directly north of the Sea of Azov, on the Dnieper River, to Mariupol on the northeast shore of the Gulf of Taganrog.

Captures made by Gen. Wrangel included 27,800 prisoners, sixty-one guns, several hundred machine guns, twelve armored trains, forty locomotives, many railway cars and other military supplies.

Prospects of resistance to further advance to the north toward Kharkov, in the northern part of the Ukraine, and

north of Ekaterinoslav were reported to be slight.

The advices stated the naval forces under Gen. Wrangel were in full control of the Sea of Azov except the port of Taganrog, at the head of the Gulf, to which all the Bolshevik vessels have withdrawn.

LONDON, Oct. 9.—The occupation of Berdiansk, on the north shore of the Sea of Azov, 150 miles northeast of Ekaterinoslav, is claimed in an official statement on the fighting operations in South Russia received by wireless from Moscow to-day.

Major-Gen. Charles V. F. Townshend, who commanded British forces which surrendered to the Turks at Kut-  
Amara in 1915, is going to join Gen. Baron Wrangel on the Crimean front, says the Daily Sketch.

## JAPANESE WARSHIP AT COREA.

TOKIO, Oct. 9.—In view of the situation in Northern China and Southern Manchuria, due to bandit raids, the Japanese battleship Hizen has been ordered to Salsin (probably Sengchin) and Samsan, on the Korean coast northeast of Seoul, it was announced to-day.

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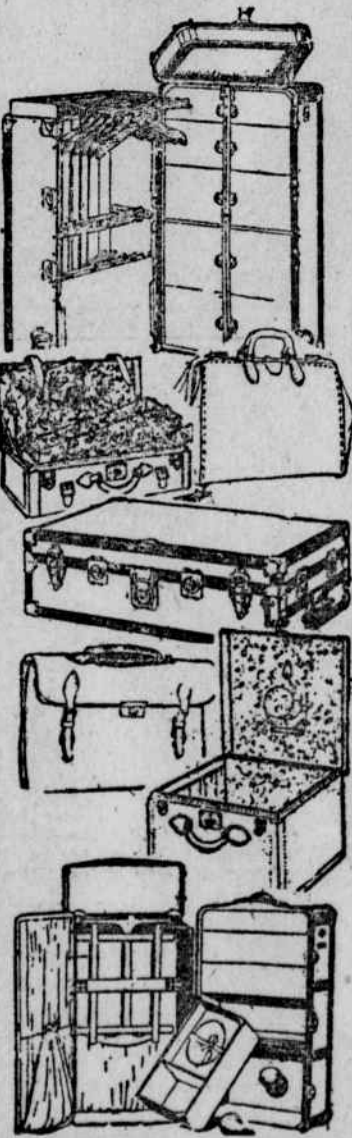
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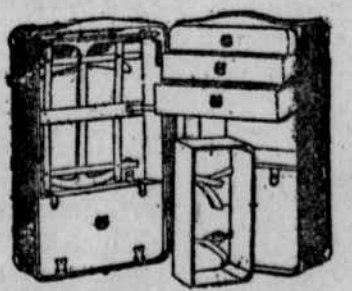
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